## ABSTRACT

A chain tensioner is provided which can prevent separation of the plunger. In a cylinder chamber 12 of the housing 11, a plunger 13 and a spring 15 that biases the plunger 13 outwardly are mounted. The housing 11 is provided with an oil supply passage 17 communicating with a pressure chamber 16 formed in the cylinder chamber behind the plunger 13. An axially elongated guide recess 31 is formed in the outer periphery of the plunger 13. The housing 11 is provided with a stopper pin 33 near the open end of the cylinder chamber. By abutting the rear end wall 31b of the guide recess 31, the stopper pin 33 prevents separation of the plunger 13 from the housing.